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The Stamp Review of Old and New

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UNITED STATES. A new commemorative stamp will be issued as soon as a design is approved by the Postmaster General. It will commemorate the Tercentenary of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and the denomination will be 2c.

AUSTRALIA. The 5sh Kangaroo has been added to the new watermarked paper series. Watermarked small crown and A mult., Perf 12. 5sh yellow and gray type A1.

CUBA. A set of commemorative stamps has been announced by the Secretary of Communications. They will be issued March 15th in connection with the Centro-American Olympic games to be held in Havana from March 15th to April 5th, and will consist of 5 values viz., 1 cent, 2 cents, 5 cents, 10 cents, and 20 cents. As the issue will be limited we fear they will be bought up by a favored few, and suffer the same fate as the "CAPITOLEO" stamps.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA. The 1.50K carmine type A11 has appeared on unwatermarked paper. President Masaryk is pictured on 3 stamps of a new design 50 H green, 60 H violet and 1K carmine. Three high values of the 1928 issue have been reissued in new colors. The 3K, 4K and 5K.

Unwatermarked Perf 10, Rotary Press



1.50K carmine type A11.

Perf 13½, 14 Flat Plate



3K red brown type A25.
4K indigo type A34.
5K gray green type A28.

Perf 10, Rotary Press
New Design



50H green.
60H red violet.
1K carmine.

FRANCE. A beautiful new 5fr. stamp has just reached us. The vignette shows a view of Mont St. Michel. It is printed in a deep rich brown and should be a very popular stamp.

Unwatermarked—Perf. 13½



5fr dark brown.

GERMANY. The 10pf and 20pf of the current issue are now printed in new colors. Both values still bear the portrait of former President Ebert.

Watermarked Network—Perf 14

10pf lilac rose type A60.
20pf pearl gray type A60.

HONDURAS. Two new provisional airmails have just been issued, Scotts type A24 10c blue surcharged in red in 4 lines "Servicio Aero In-ternacional—Vale 5cts oro—1930," and type A20, 50c red surcharged in black same as above but "Vale 25cts oro."

As usual many minor varieties and errors are to be found in the settings, the most important of which are listed below. Unfortunately our supply of the 25c on 50cts is not in complete sheets so we cannot at this time report all the varieties of this value.

Unwatermarked—Perf 11½, 12
Airmail

5c on 10c blue Type A24.
25c on 50c red Type A20.

Varieties
5c on 10c blue

Stamp No. 2 no period after "CTS."

Stamp No. 3 period after CTS below line.

Stamp No. 14 "AEIEO" instead of "AEREO".

Stamp No. 16 no period after "CTS."

Stamp No. 32 "1930" inverted.

Stamp No. 39 "1903" instead of "1930."

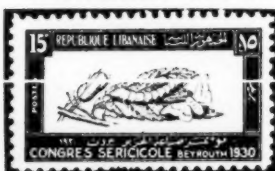
Stamp No. 40 no period after "CTS."

HUNGARY. The 40f deep blue has been added to the current issue. Watermarked double cross in Pyramid Perf 14, 40f deep blue, type A29.

INDIA. A 2d value has been added to the Airmail set. Watermarked multiple stars, Per. 14. 2 annas gray green type AP1.

LEBANON. A set of six stamps has been issued to commemorate the Silk Congress held in Beyrout. Lithographed locally in sheets of 25, the central design shows the evolution of the silk worm.

Unwatermarked—Perf 11



4p black brown.
4½p orange vermillion.
7½p indigo.
10p deep violet.
15p deep green.
25p brown violet.

LITHUANIA. The set commemorating the 500th anniversary of Prince Vytautes were issued on

UNITED STATES

No.	* Means unused	Cat.	Net
*1910—383, 1c vert. imp. coil pair		\$.20	.07
Same guide line or pasteup pair		.60	.18
*1910—390, 1c pair		.40	.12
Same guide line or pasteup pair		.60	.18
1910—391, 2c guide line pair		.30	.05
1912—408, 1c hor. imp. coil pair		.20	.07
*1912—409, 2c hor. imp. coil pair		.30	.10
Same guide line or pasteup pair		.75	.22
1912—410, 1c line or pasteup pair		1.00	.35
1912—412, 1c line or pasteup pair		1.50	.50
1912—413, 2c		.10	.04
*1914—441, 1c pair		.50	.12
Same guide line or pasteup pair		1.00	.28
1914—442, 2c		.50	.20
1914—443, 1c guide line pair		1.50	.50
1914—444, 2c average		.20	.07
1914—446, 4c		1.00	.38
*1914—448, 1c pair		.50	.12
Same guide line pair		1.50	.35
*1916—487, 2c guide line pair		.40	.12
*1917—511, 11c (blocks same rate)		.30	.16
*1917—512, 12c (blocks same rate)		.30	.17
*1917—513, 13c (blocks same rate)		.35	.18
*1918—529, 3c mint blocks of 4		.50	.20
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Estonia 74, 1922, 15m green & violet. .10
Australia 540, 1909, ½p green & red.10

Total Catalog Value73
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PATAPSCO STAMP COMPANY
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February 15th. The "centu" values portray the Grand Duke and the high values an equestrian statue of him. "Stamp Collecting" reports the following quantities issued.

Unwatermarked—Perf 14



2c brown and sepia—2,000,000.
3c sepia and violet—500,000.
5c green and orange—5,000,000.
10c violet and green—1,000,000.
15c carmine and violet—8,000,000.
30c blue and red violet—10,000,000.
36c red violet and olive—200,000.
50c green and blue—200,000.
60c blue and magenta—2,000,000.



1L green, maroon and gray—200,000.
3L maroon, rose and violet—100,000.
5L brown, gray and red—50,000.
10L indigo, pale blue and black—50,000.
25L brown and green—50,000.

MEXICO. The Pan-American issue of 1926 has been surcharged "Habilitado—1930" in two lines reading upwards on all values except the 1 peso which is horizontal. Your editor has discovered one sheet of the 20c blue with the surcharge reading down. Whether this variety will turn out to be rare only time will tell. Meanwhile we have written to Mexico for further information.

Another official Airmail is also to hand. Scott No. 903 overprinted "OFICIAL" in black. It is stated only 2,500 copies were issued.

One of our valued correspondents has written as follows: "The sale to dealers and collectors of official stamps has been stopped and these stamps, especially the airmail officials, should become good investments."

Unwatermarked—Perf 12 Surcharged "HABILITADO"— 1930" in Black

2c red, type A90.

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No. 4262	\$20.00 olive bistre	12.50
No. 4264	\$50.00 olive green	27.50

NEW ISSUES

Australia, A1, 5sh yellow and gray	1.60
Canal Zone Aeras. 10c/50c, 20c/2c	.....	.45
Czechoslovakia, new issue. 50h to 5k, 7 var.	.....	.60
Finland, new issue. 5p to 1½m, 10 var.	.....	.25
India Aera. AP1, 2a gray green	.....	.08
Mexico optd. set. 2c to 1p, 8 var.	.....	1.50
Panama Aeras. 5c on 10c orange	.....	.08
Aeras. 15c, 20c, 25c, 3 var.85
Salvador Aeras. 20c, 15/10, 25/35, 40/50, 50/100, 5 var.	1.40

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85	*Madagascar, 1908-17, 25c.10 .03
90	*Madagascar, 1908-17, 50c.15 .05
92	*Madagascar, 1908-17, 1fr.30 .11
93	*Madagascar, 1908-17, 2fr.40 .14
117	*Madagascar, 1922, 10c.10 .03
120	*Madagascar, 1922, 50c.30 .10
121	*Madagascar, 1922, 60 on 75c20 .08
130	*Madagascar, 1925, 50c.08 .01
137	*Madagascar, 1927, 1.50 on 1fr.25 .09
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4	*Turks & Caicos Is., 1900, 2½p.85 .28
14	*Turks & Caicos Is., 1909, 1p.20 .07
109	*Turks & Caicos War, 1919, 3p.25 .09
113	*Turks & Caicos War, 1919, 3p.30 .11
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40c violet, type A92.
1p red brown, and blue, type A93.

Airmail
Overprinted "OFICIAL" in Black
25c brown carmine and red
brown type AP1.

NETHERLANDS. The "REMBRANDT" series of three stamps was issued on February 15th. They are handsomely engraved and will be on sale and remain valid for postage until December 31, 1930.

Unwatermarked—Perf 12



5c green.
6c gray.
12½c blue.

NEW CALEDONIA. Three stamps of the present issue have been surcharged "COLIS POSTAUX" in black similar to No. 501 for use on Parcel Post matter.

Unwatermarked—Perf 14 X 13½
Overprinted "COLIS POSTAUX" in Black

50c violet and brown, type A20.
1f olive and red, type A21.
2f orange and brown, type A21.

PANAMA. Airmails. Three new airmails of the permanent design and 1 provisional have just appeared. The 1 balboa of the 1920 issue was surcharged in red with an airplane and "CORREO AEREO." As only 5000 were issued it will be a good investment.

Unwatermarked—Perf 12
Airmail



15c green.
20c carmine.
25c blue.

Provisional Overprinted in Red,
Airplane and "CORREO AEREO"

1B violet and black type A39.

PARAGUAY. Four new provisional airmail stamps have reached us. Scotts numbers 285, 286, 289 and 292 surcharged in red in two lines "CORREO AEREO." It is stated the issue is limited but figures are not available at present.

Unwatermarked—Perf 12

Airmail

Overprinted "CORREO AEREO" in Red

10c gray green, type A47.
20c dull blue, type A47.
1p emerald green, type A48.
3p gray, type A51.

PERU. The 2c violet Plebiscite stamps of 1928, Scotts No. 413 has been surcharged "HABILITADO FRANQUEO" in two lines in black. It will be a scarce item as it was withdrawn from sale shortly after it was issued, on account of a complaint of the Chilean government. It is stated only 5,000 copies were issued.

Unwatermarked—Perf 12

Overprinted "HABILITADO FRANQUEO" in Black

2c dark violet, type SP6.

RUSSIA. The 1930 issue of Child Welfare stamps has appeared. The design is the same as the 1928 issue.

Unwatermarked—Perf 11
Charity Stamps



10k+2k olive.
20k+2k blue green.

SWITZERLAND. The 10 francs has been reissued in green.

Watermarked Greek Cross—
Perf 11½

10fr green, type A31.

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112-117, 4 var., complete	.60	.08
120-126, 7 var., cpl., North Pole Issue	.75	.75
127-130, 4 var., cpl., Svalbard	.65	.25
133-140, 8 var., cpl.	1.10	.12
142-149, 8 var., cpl.	1.00	.25
150-153, 4 var., cpl., Ibsen Issue	.35	.18
154-162, 9 var., cpl., Overprints	2.25	1.35
163-166, 4 var., cpl., Abel Issue	.35	.18
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Unwatermarked—Perf 14



30c dark brown.
50c violet.
L1.25, blue.



L2.55+45c green.
L5+L1 red orange.
L10+L2 deep violet.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA. The second official types A11-12 now appear with the surcharge "OFFICIAL-OFFISIEEL" spaced 19mm. between words. In other respects the surcharge is the same as Nos. 420-421.

Unwatermarked—Perf 14

Space Between Word 19 mm

2p violet, brown and gray, type A11.
2p violet, brown and gray, type A12.

MOVIES GIVE STAMPS

Howard Coddington, Director of National Publicity for the Society of Philatelic Americans advises that several of the Cleveland Picture Shows are giving away packets of stamps at the Saturday matinees to all young folks who attend the shows. A different packet is given each Saturday and after an attendance of several times the youngsters have a respectable start toward a collection of stamps.

If this plan is worked generally throughout the country it will in a short time absorb an enormous number of cheap stamps.

DO NOT OVERLOOK THIS

Under section 384½ of the Postal Laws and Regulations, business concerns are permitted to print what are known as Business Reply Cards or Business Reply Envelopes. These are printed with a permit in the corner of the card or envelope and bear information that postage will be paid by the addressee. When the card comes back to the addressee he is obliged to pay 2c postage and on the envelope 3c postage. The postage is collected by affixing postage due stamps to the cards or envelopes. In cases where business concerns receive large quantities of these return cards or envelopes they are tied together in bundles, the total amount of postage is figured and postage due stamps of high values are placed on one of the cards or envelopes, to cover the amount due for the bunch. Thus in this manner many high value precancelled dues will be used and can be had from the business firms which use these cards and envelopes if you are acquainted with such firms. At the present time the Literary Digest is taking a poll of 20,000,000 people on the Prohibition question. This is done by sending out these return reply cards for which they will have to pay 2c for each one that is returned to them. Should all be returned, the total postage will amount to \$400,000.00 and under the present system of collecting this postage, due stamps for that amount will have to be affixed to bundles of the cards. Since the largest face value due stamp is the 50c value, it will require 800,000 stamps of 50c value to take care of this one mailing, if they all come back and Clyde Gibbons says they are coming strong.

Truly there is need for a high value postage due stamp.

At a low estimate of cost, it would be safe to say that the poll that is being taken by the Literary Digest will cost not less than three quarters of a million dollars.

LADIES ENTERTAIN STAMP CLUB

Several of the Lady members of the Long Beach Stamp Club of Long Beach, California, claimed that they could put on a better meeting than the men had been giving and they were to have charge of the meeting on March 3rd. Go to it girls, we are for you and we are just waiting for the day when the first Ladies Stamp Society is organized and the meetings held in the afternoons as other Ladies Clubs meetings are held. We are certain you will find enough in stamps to supply unlimited material for your discussions and papers.

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Are the ethics of stamp-collecting what they used to be in the good old days?

By the good old days we mean, of course—everybody means the same thing—the days when we were younger than we are. Suppose we agree to know it as the day before yesterday and let it go at that?

Walking up Fourth 'tother day that period of hope deferred but not yet of heart made sick, came back. There in a window were stamps, foreign and native, temptingly displayed. Evidently these had been brought together by regular fellows with just the right sort of itch. In our time they were never known as philatelists but that's the official style and title now.

It implies a science.

It calls up visions of a learned society with officers and perhaps a place of regular meeting.

It indicates men and women as serious-minded in the pursuit of states and specimens, of issue and variants, of watermarks and over-cancellation signs, as others are on proofs before letters, or first editions, tall copies and bindings by Riviere and their sort.

If you strolled down High Holborn in those days or loitered in the Strand you might have happened on shops which displayed mysterious envelopes. For sixpence or a shilling one bought into possibilities. For half-a-crown, still more for half a quid, one could spread the glories before one, all of them authentic.

Occasionally a triangular rarity would be displayed, an early Antiqua.

There were catalogues in which one learned what might be exchanged for what.

There was barter among the young far more than buying and selling.

It wasn't considered good form to buy at an emporium.

It wouldn't have been "cricket" to walk into Lincoln's with a shilling or two and come out with the specimen lacking to complete a set.

One went into the market, which was the school playground, or

cloisters, or truck shop, and matched brains.

All that, we suppose, is of the long ago.

The value of all things has been established.

Probably that Wall Street Walpurgis Night threw some treasures on the market and determined some timid beginner along a path undreamed of when Rowland Hill, later Sir Rowland, established Penny Postage.

It was the year when Victoria took unto herself Albert of Blessed Memory.

Pickwick had not long made its appearance and Sir Robert Peel's police known in his honor as "Bobbies", were as yet attired in tall hats and swallow-tail coats.

Some years were to elapse before the Mulready envelope should be a relic to be sought after and the adhesive and perforated sheet a commonplace.

Thereafter the system was to extend to the remotest and least important places and the value of their stamps from a collector's point of view was often in inverse ratio to their place in the scheme of international politics.

The effigy of queen or king was the natural symbol.

Designs followed a conventional pattern.

And then came West Australia with her black swans, Canada with her beavers, an occasional kangaroo from Australasia, emblematic figures, such as the "Sower" so beautifully characteristic of the French Republic of Industry as well as of Liberty, Equality, Fraternity.

The Hanseatic towns had their arms; heraldic devices figured Bavaria; Italian principalities reveled in diversity; the Sandwich Islands or Sarawak discovered the American Bank Note corporation and the loveliest of designs.

San Marino and Monaco joined the procession, Switzerland in later days remembered Tell as France revived Pasteur, and the United States added Benjamin Franklin to the Presidents in its list of those worthy of honor.

In that earlier day documentary stamps were not considered as

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314-1c Green	35	.75	1.50
315-5c Blue	—	—	40.00
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320-2c Lake	70	1.50	3.00
343-1c Green	70	.15	.30
Same, 3mm spac.	—	.25	.50
344-2c Carmine	12	.30	.65
Same, 3mm spac.	—	.45	.90
345-3c Violet	35	.75	1.75
346-4c Brown	35	.70	1.50
Same, 3mm spac.	—	1.10	2.25
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proper to be included. There was doubt as to the standing of wrappers and postcards and it was not thought right to buy uncanceled specimens.

What has since been done by Philatelic societies we know not.

But stamps, which are often of real value as evidence of the historical temper as well as revelatory of the popular taste, are still and must always be a collector's paradise.

George of England is understood to house a marvelous collection at Buckingham Palace and to be as keen as ever.

Nicky, who is no more, and Willy, who is something less, were both aficionados.

Willy would probably surrender his black penny issues with Grand-ma Victoria's modest profile for the right to stamp a series with his own as Koenig and Kaiser.

STAMP GOSSIP FROM THE FIFTH CITY

By Charles E. Horn

President H. H. Griffin awarded each member of the C. A. M. S. a cover for their collection who found out the first City Free Mail Carrier (this is something all collectors should know.)

A. A. M. S. members Hambrock, of New Jersey and Max Golding, of Chicago, were the guests of the Cleveland Air Mail Society, the latter having in his collection fourteen autographs of Charles A. Lindbergh, some of which he showed the members.

After the meeting of the Air Mail Society, March 5th, many of the members repaired to the room of Mr. Max Golding where they were granted the privilege of viewing his collection, which consists of over ten thousand covers.

Cleveland Stamp Club had a very delightful meeting on March 11th, the members busied themselves by filling their vacant spaces in their albums from Doctor Hussey's S. P. A. Jumbo Circuit, and discussed stamps in general.

REIMERS GOES TO ARIZONA

The Southwest Stamp Company of Fort Worth, Texas, has been moved to Tucson, Arizona. Address is 409 Consolidated Bank Building. Mr. C. D. Reimers, the proprietor, is locating in Arizona on account of his health and it is the hope of Linn's Weekly that friend Reimers will find Arizona agreeable.

WORLD WAR HISTORY IN STAMPS

Mrs. J. Paul Suter of Youngstown, sends a clipping of an article by herself on the display of the collection of F. G. Esslinger of Sharon, Pa., before members of the Mahoning Valley Stamp Club of Youngstown, Ohio.

In speaking of the collection Mrs. Suter calls it "A pictured history of the World War, in which most of the pictures are less than an inch in length and breadth." The collection is mounted in a very interesting manner, starting out with the Bosnian stamps bearing pictures of the Archduke and his duchess whose assassination were the direct cause of the war, following these stamps are Austrian Military Stamps showing mobilization, other periods of the war are represented by designs on stamps, no

NEW MASS. STAMP

The new 2c Mass. Bay Colony stamp will go on sale at Boston and Salem April 8th, and at Washington on April 11.

NEW CAROLINA STAMP

A new 2c stamp commemorating the two hundred and sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Province of Carolina as well as the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the City of Charleston will be issued and placed on sale at Charleston, S. Carolina, on April 10. At Philatelic Agency, Washington, April 11.

The issue will be 25,000,000. Telegram from W. Irving Glover, Second Assistant Postmaster General.

attention being paid to sequence of issue but stamps are used to depict sequence of events and it is shown by the arrangement of this collection that it is quite possible to go on through the war and bring it to a close, showing all the horrors of war and the eventual armistice and peace that followed after.

It is indeed a novel idea and one that would make a wonderful demonstration of the value of the interesting things that one can get from Philately.

LOS ANGELES CLUB BANQUET

The Los Angeles Philatelic Club will hold its annual banquet on April 17. This annual affair is noted for its originality and pep and few who have attended former banquets will miss the next one.

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HAWAII SURCHARGE WIDE SPACING

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Don Minnick of the Lake Stamp Company of Toledo submits a large block of stamps containing in the piece two blocks of four of this rare wide spaced Hawaii surcharge on the 2c value. It has not been found on the 5c stamps. Scott lists this variety at \$125.00. This price is of course for a vertical pair and is a fair indication of the rarity of the stamps.

The piece that Mr. Minnick submits was found by Mr. L. M. Bridenbaugh of Toledo who unfortunately had torn up the sheet and used many of the stamps on letters before he had noted the difference in the spacing so that only a large block containing in its makeup, two blocks of four still remain.

Collectors would do well to watch for these freaks and varieties. With the discovery of the wide spacing variety in both the Molly Pitcher and the Hawaiian stamps of which the quantity printed is very small, it would appear that these varieties should turn up frequently in the Bureau Print Precancels and anyone having access to quantities of these sheets should scan them carefully for such a variety as they would be well worth garnering.

ANOTHER BURO CATALOG

Lawrence Brothers of Anamosa, Iowa, have issued a catalogue of Buro Prints. At least they call it a catalogue but it is in effect their priced list of these stamps. The list is desirable for comparison with other prices and is therefore of interest to collectors of these stamps.

TALKS ON NETHERLANDS

The first March meeting of the Columbus Philatelic Club was held on March 7, 1930.

Mr. Peter Van Leeuwen gave the fourth of a series of talks on stamp issuing countries at this meeting.

Mr. Van Leeuwen, a former resident of Holland talked of the stamps of his fatherland.

He pointed out a very interesting fact about Netherlands. He showed that this country issued the first stamp, although not an adhesive. The stamp, that Netherlands claims as the first, was a black impression put on all duty bound articles thus making it now what we call a revenue stamp.

In the line of firsts Netherlands seems to have its share for Mr. Van Leeuwen also referred us to Scott's Catalogue which showed Netherlands issued the first postage due stamp, for one of its colonies.

Mr. E. F. Robinson of Cryn Athys, Pa., paid the club a visit at its last meeting.

The next meeting of the club will be held on April 4, 1930.

BY AN OLD TIMER

W. E. Greenaway of the Louisville Stamp Society sends a clipping from the Herald-Post of Louisville. It is entitled "Mostly at Random" and gives evidence of being written by a man who knew his stamps in the years long ago as well as knowing other things too. The clipping was written by E. A. Jonas, Editor of the Herald-Post, who had seen an exhibition of stamps which members of the Louisville Society had placed in the window of the leading book store of Louisville. There were 30 frames on exhibition for a week and Mr. Greenaway states that there was a crowd in front of the window all week long and that a number of new prospects for membership in the local chapter had been uncovered and that much interest and enthusiasm in stamps had been aroused by the exhibit.

The Louisville Stamp Society meets on the second and fourth Friday of each month at room 803 Inter-Southern Building and visiting collectors are always welcome.

LITTLE NEW JERSEY "J"

Fred G. Giffoniello of Newark, N. J., reports the small "J" on the 7c Buro Print. Mr. Giffoniello does not state whether the perf 10 or the compound. Collectors should be explicit in reporting information on stamps as the information is of no value for checking against unless exact.

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Our recent advance in subscription price has brought a large number of new subscribers who got under the wire on the old rate, in fact we will have to print as a weekly issue considerably over 4000 copies right now. Then on top of that, we have had many fine letters from our friends who still insist that we are right in raising the rate to \$1.00 per year and that we won't lose any business as a result.

This week we are able to show just what we meant by telling you that we were going to start an il-

lustrated new issue column. You can see for yourself just what our promise in this respect amounts to and we feel certain that the feature will meet with your approval.

This is not all that we are going to give you under our new plan either. Other features are in preparation and some interesting U. S. Feature articles are being planned with pictures and diagrams too. We just know that you will be so well pleased with these features that you will be glad we raised the ante on the subscription, for we could not have given you these things without additional cash to cover the costs.

Bear in mind that this New Issue Column is not merely a "New" issue column, but it is also intended to chronicle and list New discoveries and points of interest in older issues too, and if you can be of any assistance to the editor of this column please don't be backward but send your information direct to him. You will find his name and address at the head of the column.



EVERYBODY UP AT CLEVELAND said last week's paper was a fine one and we feel that it did make a pretty snappy looking number with the front page all dolled up and a nice lot of advertising and interesting articles scattered throughout the various pages. When we issue a special, it looks like one.

THIS SURE IS THE JAZZ AGE.

Even our air mail covers come with so darn many cachets on some of them that we wonder if the boys like to play with their rubber stamps. We used to have a set of "Brownies" on rubber stamps and if we could just find them again we would fix up some daisies for some of these rubber stamp hounds.

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SOME OF THESE AIR MAIL cover chasers surely need a lesson on "What's what".

ONE OF THE HANDSOMEST covers that has come in our mail for many months is a first flight cover NYRBA from Hayti. This cover is sent us with the compliments of one of our advertisers, Robert M. Hayes. Mr. Hayes feels so good over the results he has been getting from his advertising in our paper that he just had to show his appreciation somehow and this cover surely is a beauty. It is on one of the Linprint Special Envelopes too. Mr. Hayes also sent a cover on the First Flight of F. A. M. 8 via Brownsville to San Lorenzo and then over F. A. M. 5 to Cristobal and down to Montevideo.

COVERS ON THE RECENT C. A. M. 9 first flight are at hand from Henry O. Meisel of the American Flying Mail Association also from Mr. G. E. Tisdale of Minneapolis, and W. L. Miller of Madison, Wisconsin. One of the Mishawaka, Indiana, covers from A. E. Gorham is also at hand. Two nice covers of the March 3, Canadian flights are at hand from J. W. Stoutsenberg and these are both on the Linprint illuminated envelopes and sure look fine.

SEVENTY-TWO YEARS OLD and still going strong is the news from H. S. Williams of Elgin, Ill. Mr. Williams sends an air mail letter by C. A. M. 9 from Elgin on March 8th. He states that this date is his 72nd birthday and that he is mailing about 40 covers in celebration of the event. It also happens that one of the Elgin newspapers is holding an air mail letter contest. The person in Elgin receiving the largest number of letters by air mail prior to April 1st is to get a prize. In fact several prizes will be awarded the highest in the contest. Some of the prizes are trips on the planes and we believe our 72 year old friend is hankering for a ride on one of them. Let us all send H. S. Williams, 415 Summit St., Elgin, Ill., an Air Mail letter postmarked before April 1st, and get him up in the air.

JOHN THOMAS OF SHARON, Pa., is sojourning down in Florida and from the looks of the card John has sent back he must have "jined" the "cullud" church.

DON'T FORGET TO ASK THE Editor for one of those S. P. A. Application blanks. You are not playing the game fair unless you help support one of the national stamp societies. You get your money's worth in the S. P. A. so why not get in and be someone.

WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH Precancels? This question has been causing a lot of discussion in the Precancel papers recently and no one seems to agree on the answer to the riddle. The Editor has dabbled with these stamps a bit at times and has his own ideas about the answer to that question. Possibly a good way to answer the question would be to tell you about a collection of 2c black Harding precancels that I have offered to sell to parties who are advertising to buy Precancels. The collection catalogues over \$300 and the magnificent offer of \$15.00 has been made for the collection. I think that offer pretty well answers the question.

P. M. WOLSIEFFER'S SALE OF March 26th, contains the H. Bedford-Jones Collection, which will no doubt attract many bidders. The collection contains a fine lot of early France on cover and about thirty lots of the much sought for Balloon Montes of 1870-71.

KING'S HOBBY IS THE VERY apt title given to a new publication for stamp collectors. This new journal is edited by Edward Choate Eaton of the Reliance Stamp Company at 79 Sudbury Street, Boston, Mass.

MAX OHLMAN HAS MOVED INTO new offices, Rooms number 711-712 at his 116 Nassau Street address. Business must be good with Max for he says that makes the rent higher.

SANTA CLAUS WANTS HIS salary raised. At least that is what the Indianapolis Star says in a front page article about James M. Martin postmaster at Santa Claus, Indiana. The town is a fourth class postoffice but before Christmas last year handled 60,000 pieces of mail so Representative Rowbottom of the district has introduced a bill in congress to raise the pay of Santa Claus.

SCHOOL BOYS ARE ACTIVE

Jack Schiff of Cincinnati, Ohio, says that the boys of the Western Hills High School have organized a stamp club and that Mr. R. E. Abercrombie is assisting them in the formation and management of the club. Much interest in stamps is being shown by boys in the school.

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Charlotte, North Carolina.

Wire from Mr. Glover states that Charlotte, North Carolina, will be given service on CAM No. 19, New York-Atlanta, on April 1st, and that a special cachet will be applied to Air Mail from that city. Send your covers direct to the Postmaster.

Army Air Maneuvers.

Sacramento, Calif., Chamber of Commerce advises that they will apply a cachet on air mail during the Army Air Maneuvers from April 2nd to 25th, and that a special cachet will also be provided for the Dedication of the Municipal Airport of that city on April 12th. Send to the Chamber of Commerce.

Gordon Bennett Balloon Races will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, August 31st-September 1st.

Valdosta, Georgia, Chamber of Commerce writes that their dedication is postponed to about May 15th, 1930.

Chatom, Ala., will dedicate its airport on March 20th. Don't know if any cachet will be used. Auspices of American Legion.

Lancaster, Calif., dedicated on February 22nd. Los Angeles East-side Airport was dedicated on March 1st. Gulfport, Miss., on March 8th, and Titusville, Fla., on March 10th. Have not seen covers from any of these and cannot say if any cachets were used.

New Castle, Ind., will dedicate its airport this spring and the Chamber of Commerce are holding covers now. The birthplace of the Wrights ought to provide something good.

Pipher Airport at East Stroudsburg, Pa., will be dedicated on May 1st. Send your covers to the Board of Trade.

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Steamer Europa.

If this new Queen of the Seas arrives on time, her first eastward return sailing is scheduled from New York on March 29th. Ship to shore service is still in doubt. The Postal Bulletin may supply the dope on short notice. Postage would be twenty cents; and Bob Brooks says that F. Sanders, 4737 38th Street, Long Island City, offers to mail your covers on board, if sent to him postage prepaid; or you may send to the New York Postmaster.

Night Service on CAM No. 25.

Eastern Air Transport advises that night flying on CAM No. 25 will be inaugurated northerly from Miami, Florida, about April 1st. This will save about 24 hours time on all southern mail. The contractor will no doubt provide a cachet to be applied to this mail. Collectors may forward covers to be mailed from Miami, to our good friend and AAMS member, Chas. de Lagneau, 74 N. W. 27th St., Miami, Fla., but be sure to pay your own postage. For other cities you should mail to the contractor.

Argentine Notes.

The two North American aviators, White and McMullen, arrived in Buenos Aires February 20th from Newark, N. J., after six days' flight or say 52 flight hours and an approximate distance of 11,000 kilometers.

The first NYRBA plane, Argentine-U. S. A., left Buenos Aires at 3:30 a. m. on the 19th inst. Total net weight of the mail to U. S. A. and intermediates was approximately 100 pounds. The philatelic mail weighed 7 pounds, and the rest was commercial in large envelopes.

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ON COMPLETE COVERAGE

My dear George:-

Your editorial concerning the inadvisability of collecting complete coverage or even directional coverage does not seem to coincide with the present demand of the market. Have you read Dickason's report on his last auction? He states that complete coverage was much in demand and that bids were good on them, or words to that effect, if you have not read it please do so, it is interesting.

However, I do agree with you in a sense, it certainly is monotonous to pursue pages and pages of the same drab nature. But, take a plane leaving Boston (for example), on a first flight south to Hartford at 10:30 A. M. carrying 20,000 pieces of mail, the North-bound plane leaves the same day at 4:30 P. M. and carries 120 pieces of mail. Here we have an example of what has happened on many of the C. A. M. routes, for some time now such covers are priced at 30 to 50 cents because not enough research work was made to determine the scarcity of such covers, this year you will find a big change as to the number carried and the prices of some of these C. A. M.'s. You must agree that a plane leaving Boston for the South and an entirely different plane leaves North for Portland, Me., is in reality two separate FIRST FLIGHTS and to cities that receive service for the first time. One COULD compromise by placing just one of these covers in their collection, the common one to start and when the rarer one is obtained discard the common one. I would very much like your

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AIR MAIL PILOTS THAT I KNOW

By George A. Zimmerman, Director American Air Mail Society

Since starting these articles on Air Mail Pilots That I Know, I have received numerous requests for more, so today I will tell of two more who are at present blazing the air trail.

My first pilot on this trip will be Norman Wise, nicknamed "Pop" by his brother aviators, and known in days gone by as a "Dare Devil," for he holds what I think is nearly the world's record of parachute jumps, having 317 to his credit during his flying career, and said to be the only man who ever made three successful leaps from a plane into water.

Pilot Norman "Pop" Wise was former Chief Flight Instructor at Tennessee's Sky Harbor, Nashville, Tenn., and now has suddenly grown restless with training embryo aviators at Sky Harbor Airport, and lately has been transferred to the "Mammy Song Route," between Evansville, Ind., and Atlanta, Ga., operated by the Interstate Airlines, Inc., C. A. M. 30.

Flying the mail suits "Pop" much better. For one to know this chap they would say he requires "activity," which the hill and mountain country down through Kentucky, Tennessee and Georgia surely can offer him. For in weather that seems to create fog and heavy rains over the mountain ranges below the Mason-Dixon line, pilots find that it requires something more than a mere knowledge of how to hold your feet on the rudders and clinch a "stick" in one hand, although no prettier country could be chosen for air travel than this very run between Evansville and Atlanta.

Pilot "Pop" Wise began his career in Shreveport under the tutelage of Garner Nagle, Chief Pilot of the National Airways Corp. He was for a time with Chubby Watson's Flying Circus and later with Mabel Cody's Flying Circus. During that time he was chief stunt performer, doing parachuting, wing walking, rope climbing and other breath-taking stunts, at every town at which the aerial troupe stopped.

One of the most daring of his stunts was to parachute from an altitude of 500 feet into a baseball park for the amusement of spectators, which is about the lowest altitude known to be successfully tried. But "Pop" says he has quit such foolishness, as he now calls it, and has settled down to real flying business by flying the Air Mail between Evansville, Ind., and Atlanta, Ga. I know that collectors who have his autograph on covers will surely appreciate them now.



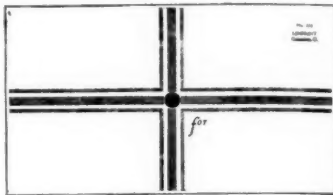
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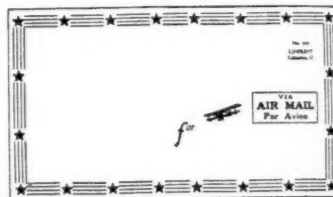
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of them should, but "Duke" manages to get a certain amount of humor out of the experience he encounters, some of which have been among those he'd rather forget.

Once upon a time—one of his experiences might begin—"Duke" ran into a heavy snowstorm during his trip across the hills of

Tennessee, and forced to land among trees and hollows, picked himself out a level spot and sat down in snow that nearly covered him up when he came to a standstill. The Interstate Airlines thought he had been lost, and all the time he was down in the hill country getting acquainted with the "natives," as he refers to residents there, talking them into carrying him to the nearest telephone, and lining up, arm-in-arm the day or two afterwards, to tramp down a runway so he could "be on his way" once more to civilization.

Nothing seems to particularly dampen "Duke's" humor, and to give him the proper outlet for his "stories of flying the mail," as he has recently taken to writing-up the yarns for various publications about the country. One of his greatest "kicks" seems to come from watching the pigs and donkeys "gallop" across their farm lots when a stiff head-wind makes it necessary for him to fly his mail plane lower than usual. "Duke" has a host of friends. On one trip with him, we were "hedge hogging" along, flying about low enough to clear the tall trees, when we passed right almost in the back yard of a farm, some children were there to greet him, as I found out later on in the trip, along the route, children would be watching for him, and it is every day the same, as he wings his way past school houses, especially down in Kentucky.

Born in the South, Ledbetter once flew with Douglas Davis Flying Service. He has now been flying over five years, and about a year ago joined the Interstate Airlines, Inc. If any of you collectors ever get a chance to ride a plane and have "Duke" for a pilot, I am sure you will get more amusement and pleasure with your ride than under other circumstances, because he is the whole show himself, and there is not one dreary moment during the entire journey. He is very easy to get an autograph from, and has signed many a cover for the air mail cover collectors.

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Mrs. T. T. Hires of Ardmore, Pa., makes the suggestion that dealers in Air Mail Covers adopt a standard method of opening covers. Of course some covers are not opened and need not be for they are mailed out with fillers and are known to contain no message or anything that should be removed but in opening an ordinary cover from a friend or a cover in your daily mail, Mrs. Hires believes that it would be desirable for dealers

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There is much of interest in a letter from George P. Stimson of Cincinnati, who writes about the meeting of the Junior Air Mail League of Cincinnati. George says: "On Sunday, March 2, 1930, the League held its second weekly meeting at the home of one of its members. President Bill Buck held an Air Mail Auction of his duplicate covers which included almost every event of the past year. He sold his entire stock, some fifty odd covers, for about \$7.50."

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ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON

These two islands, lying off the southern coast of Newfoundland, have been in the possession of France since 1763. The inhabitants subsist entirely by the cod fisheries and the other industries attached to them. The later stamps depict objects, typically maritime. The 1c portrays a fisherman wearing a "norwester"; the 25c shows a seagull with its wings outspread in flight; the 1 Fr. pictures a full rigged fishing vessel.

Recently, as a result of the advantageous location, the island became a haven for rum-runners. This nefarious trade is being suppressed and the fishermen can now go about their fishing as they did before the Volstead Act.

PHILATELIC PROPAGANDA

Recently while looking through a collection of Polish stamps, I noticed an odd surcharge. It was printed diagonally across the surface of the stamp, and after close examination we discovered that it was not a surcharge. The inscription was in German and was to the effect that the German monetary standard was higher and more stable than that of Poland. The last two words, "Wohlt Deutsch!", mean "vote for Germany" and lead one to believe that the stamps were circulated in various towns along the German-Polish border, where plebiscites will soon take place. If you are in doubt about any such items, we do not think that they will be classified as postage stamps because they had no franking value.

JOHN HUSS

The 1920 issue of Czechoslovakia pays tribute to the memory of John Huss, the country's outstanding religious hero (Scott's No. 44). Huss' life is typical of the struggle between the radical theologians and the Roman Catholic Church, in the late middle ages. He was born about 1373, and studied at Prague where he later became a lecturer. As a result of his refusal to appear before the Pope he was excommunicated and Prague laid un-

der an interdict. The city supported Huss and the Pope was compelled to acquiesce. The quarrel broke out again and finally, in 1415, the Bohemian saint was burned at the stake. A party who called themselves Calixtines, and abided by his teachings were active for many years after his death.

SANITATION IN THE CONGO

Not so many years ago, Belgium was being roundly criticized for the inhumane treatment of the natives in Belgian Congo. In fact, many persons were in favor of changing the sovereignty of the territory. But now things are different and the Belgian government seeks to advertise this fact by means of the postage stamps of Congo. The 1930 Semi-postals depict various native scenes, showing the improved conditions, and, at the same time, pay tribute to the work of the missionaries. The set exists, surcharged, for use in Belgian East Africa.

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HURRY UP STAMPS

Ad Carter, cartoonist who pictures "Just Kids," has a four-part strip in a recent number of the Cleveland Plain Dealer in which the youngster is telling Kelly the Cop that Mom has sent him to the postoffice for a stamp and that he forgot what kind it was. It develops that Mom gave the boy a dime for some "fancy kind of a stamp" and it has a boy on it and he is riding a bicycle. It's the kind of a stamp that makes a letter hurry up.

A NEWFOUNDLAND CATALOGUE

Newfoundland has been a popular country with collectors for many years and its popularity is increasing. This country is a good example of what a dealer can do with a single country. Rev. Butler of St. Georges, Newfoundland, has specialized as a dealer, in stamps of Newfoundland for many years. His advertisement will be found regularly in our columns and we feel that we are doing our readers a favor by urging them to send for a copy of his Newfoundland catalogue which is offered free. This booklet although being a price list of the stamps he offers for sale is almost a specialized catalogue of Newfoundland. Who would be better able than this man to estimate the values of the various stamps? Much of interest about the various issues is included in notes throughout the list and even the latter day postmarks, the air mail issues and all things of interest to the specialist are well written up. It is truly a remarkable example of what a dealer can do by handling one country thoroughly.

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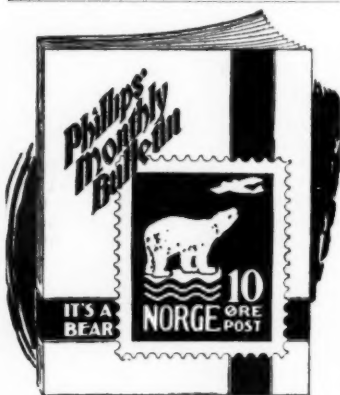
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—Geo. J. Muench.

**DOUBLE PRINT ENVELOPE
PRECAN**

Mr. N. Clifford Anwalt of Dayton, Kentucky, has shown the Editor a double printed Precancelled 1c envelope from Ann Arbor, Michigan. Double prints on envelopes will not be so common as double prints on postage stamps and such a piece ought to make some of the envelope collectors happy.

MASS. DESIGN APPROVED

Plans for the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary stamp has been approved by the Postmaster General. A design for the stamp showing the original seal of the colony has been tentatively agreed upon by the department and representatives of the tercentenary commission.

VERMONT SESQUI IMPERF.

Mr. Arthur C. Dempsey of Richmond Hill, L. I., New York, submits a copy of the 2c Vermont Sesquicentennial stamp on a small corner of an envelope. The stamp is without perforations at top and bottom and the cancellation marks which are the regular machine cancellation wavy lines run off the stamp at the bottom thus showing that if a clipped copy it was clipped before being placed on the envelope. Mr. Dempsey states that the stamp was found in a U. S. Mission mixture that he had bought so it is most probable that it was not a copy clipped by any stamp man for a joke or other reasons.

In these days when errors frequently turn up it is just probable that this may be a part perforated copy but of course, in a single copy it could hardly be accepted as such. Should any other readers of Linn's Weekly have noted similar copies the publishers should be glad to hear the details.

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